

# Education & Employment



One of the best things about retirement is the time available to pursue your dreams. Whether it's preparing for a second career, gaining a new skill such as decorating or computer technology, or simply immersing yourself in a learning experience, Sumter can give you the world with continuing education programs at one of our accredited higher-learning institutions.

The **University of South Carolina Sumter** has been an integral part of the Sumter community since 1973. Currently a two-year college, it is in the process of expanding to a four-year university. Along with many traditional degree programs, USC Sumter also offers the "Sixty Plus" program for SC residents age 60 and above. For a nominal \$10 application fee and purchase of materials, senior students may enroll in classes of their own choosing, either for academic credit or for the benefit of increasing personal knowledge. While enrolled, students may participate in such activities as the Student Art Guild, Gospel Choir, Outdoor Adventure Club and more. Cultural events including health science lectures, poetry readings, music performances, art receptions and a wide variety of other activities are also available for students' enjoyment. Recreational opportunities include the campus Wellness Center, a multipurpose gym and much more.

**Central Carolina Technical College** is a comprehensive two-year institution of higher learning that provides quality, affordable post-secondary education and lifelong educational opportunities. SC residents over 60 can register for continuing education programs on a free or reduced-rate basis in a wide range of subjects, including beginning Internet, arts & crafts, auto repair for women, motorcycle safety, wedding planning, golf, business and over a dozen more, as well as more than 300 online courses.

**Morris College**, a four-year college, provides the "Organization Management" program. Adults with 60 credit hours can achieve a degree in 18 months.

**Troy University** offers Masters degrees in Education, Management and Public Administration, along with undergraduate courses and degree programs through online distance learning. Troy is an Alabama state school with locations in downtown Sumter and Shaw Air Force Base.

For the active adult seeking a second career, Sumter's diverse economy offers a variety of prospects in the medical, military, educational and industrial fields. Volunteer opportunities abound for those seeking to share the expertise gained throughout a lifetime.